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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventor(s): Edward K. Knowlton ) PATENT APPLICATION  
Application No.: 08/435,544 )  
Filed: May 5, 1995 )  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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